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SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN-NORTH KOREAN AGREEMENT

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1. SEPTEMBER 8 ETHIOPIAN HERALD REPORTS THAT ETHIOPIA AND NORTH KOREA CONCLUDED TECHNICAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT ON SEPTEMBER 7. UNDER THE AGREEMENT, NORTH KOREA WILL PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND EXPERTISE FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION AND IRRIGATION AS WELL AS EXPANSION OF HYDROELECTRIC FACILITIES. AGREEMENT WAS INITIALED BY ETHIOPIAN PLANNING COMMISSIONER, ATO TAYE WORKU, AND GE CHANG HUAN, NORTH KOREAN VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE AND HEAD OF VISITING DELEGATION.

2. BEFORE DEPARTURE, DELEGATION CALLED ON PMAC FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN MENGISTU, WHO IS QUOTED AS STATING THAT ETHIOPIAN-NORTH KOREAN RELATIONS HAVE BEEN IMMENSELY STRENGTHENED AS RESULT OF VISIT AND THAT ETHIOPIA WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT REUNIFICATION OF TWO KOREAS.

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3. NORTH KOREAN DELEGATION ARRIVED AUGUST 8 AND HAS RECEIVED EXTENSIVE COVERAGE IN LOCAL PRESS. DELEGATION INDICATED DPRK'S WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST IN EXPANSION OF GLASS INDUSTRY, POWER GENERATION, AND COOPERATIVE FARMING ON ARRIVAL (REFTEL), AND SUCCESS OF PRESENT DELEGATION SHOULD BE CONTRASTED WITH VISIT LAST AUGUST BY DELEGATION LED BY KONG JIN TAE, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL (ADDIS ABABA A-168).
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